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**Standards for the Use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge and Biosolids**  
**(LAC 33:IX.Chapter 73)**

Standards for the use or disposal of sewage sludge generated during the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works are established in the Louisiana Sewage Sludge and Biosolids Program of LAC 33:IX.Chapter 73. LAC 33:IX.7301.D.1.b.v states that all minor sanitary wastewater treatment facilities that do not receive domestic septage and/or portable toilet waste into their systems shall apply for a Sewage Sludge and Biosolids Use or Disposal Permit as expeditiously as practicable, but in no case later than five years from June 1, 2006. The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (Department) is preparing a proposed rule change for requirements of Chapter 73 which is expected to be published in the *Louisiana Register* in April 2011. Included in the proposed changes to Chapter 73 will be a revision to LAC 33:IX.7301.D.1.b.v to extend the deadline to January 1, 2013. Accordingly, under the Department's enforcement discretionary authority, the Department will not pursue enforcement actions against facilities which are subject to the application deadline of LAC 33:IX.7301.D.1.b.v which do not apply for a Sewage Sludge and Biosolids Use or Disposal Permit by the deadline stated in the current regulations. After the establishment of a new deadline in a final rule, the Department may pursue enforcement actions against facilities which do not apply by the new deadline. All other permitting requirements set forth by LAC 33:IX.7301.D will remain unchanged.

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